

BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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BY THE COMMISSION:

On October 29, 1997. Citizens Utilities Company ("Company") filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") applications for approval of formation of subsidiaries; for approval of agreements for the villages at Desert Hills water/wastewater infrastructure and water/wastewater purchase; and for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity

On April 16, 1998, the Commission's Utilities Division Staff ("Staff") filed its Staff Report in this matter. Accordingly, the matter should be set for hearing.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the hearing in the above-captioned matter shall commence on May 21, 1998 at 9:30 a.m., or as soon the reafter as is practical, at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Actiona 85007.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that intervention shall be in accordance with A.A.C. R14-3-105. except that all motions to intervene must be filed on or before May 15, 1998.

IT IS FURTHER OF DERED that the Company shall provide public notice of the hearing in this matter, in the following form and style, with the heading in no less than 24 point bold type and the body in no less than 10 point regular type:

PUBLIC NOTICE OF BEARING ON APPLICATIONS OF CITIZENS UTILITIES COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF FORMATION OF SUBSIDIARIES: FOR APPROVAL OF AGREEMENTS FOR THE VILLAGES AT DESERT HILLS WATERWASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE AND WATERWASTEWATER PURCHASE: AND FOR CERTIFICATES OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

Citizens Utilities Company ("Company") has filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") applications for approval of formation of subsidiaries; for approval of agreements for the Villages at Desert Hills water/wastewater infrastructure and water/wastewater purchase; and for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity ("Certificate") to provide potable water and wastewater service to the Villages at Desert Hills. Our records indicate that you are either currently a customer of the Company or are a property owner in the proposed service area for Company proposes to provide service to [desemption of area] (with publication)). If the application is granted the Company would be the exclusive provider of water and wastewater service to the proposed area. The Company will be required by the Commission to provide this service under the rates and charges and terms and conditions established by the Commission. The granting of the application would not necessarily prohibit an individual from providing service to that individual's property from individually-owned facilities on that individual's property.

The application is available for inspection during regular business hours at the offices of the Commission in Phoenix, at 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona, and at the Company's offices. [insert company's address].

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27 28 The Commission will hold a hearing on this matter on May 21, 1998 at 9:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as is practical, at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington Street. Phoenix, Arizona \$300%. As a property owner or customer you may have the right to intervene in the proceeding. If you do not want to intervene, you may appear at the hearing and make a statement on your own behalf. Intervention shall be permitted to any person entitled by law to intervene and having a direct and substantial interest in the matter. Persons desiring to intervene must file a written notice to intervene with the Commission, which motion should be sent to the Company or its counsel and to all parties of record, and which, at the minimum, shall contain the following:

- 1. The name, address, and telephone number of the proposed intervenor and of any party upon whom service of documents is to be made if different than the intervenor.
- 2. A short statement of the proposed intervenor's interest in the proceeding (e.g., a customer of the Company, a shortholder of the Company, etc.)
- 3. A statement certifying that a copy of the motion to intervene has been mailed to the Company or its counsel and to all parties of record in the case.

The granting of motions to intervene shall be governed by A.A.C. R14-3-105, except that all motions to intervene must be filed on or before May 15, 1998. The granting of intervention, among other things, entitles a party to present sworn evidence at bearing and to cross-examine other witnesses. However failure to intervene will not preclude any customer from appearing at the hearing and making a statement on such customers, own behalf. However, you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding unless requested by you.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to its public meetings. Individuals with disabilities requesting reasonable accommodations should contact the office of the Executive Secretary (602-542-3931) in a timely manner to make known their needs and preferences.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Company shall mail to all property owners located within the contemplated service area a copy of the above notice, and cause the above notice to be published at least once in a new spaper of general circulation in its service territory, with mailing and publication to be completed no later than May 1, 1998.

AT IS FURTHER DRIDERED that the Company shall file certification of mailing and publication as soon as practicable after the rutiling and publication has been completed.

IT IS FURTHER ORDER (ED) that notice shall be dremed complete upon mailing and publication of same, notwithstanding the failure of an individual customer to read or receive the notice.

IT IS FORTHER ORGERRED that the three periods specified begein shall not be extended pursuant to Rule 6(a) or (e) of the Rules of Civil Procedure.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Presiding Officer may rescind, alter, amend, or waive any portion of this Procedural Order either by subsequent Procedural Order or by ruling at hearing.

DATED this Areday of April, 1998.

LYN FARMER ASSISTANT CHIEF HEARING OFFICER

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